THE HON'BLE Ms. JUSTICE G. ROHINI

WRIT PETITION NO. 8065 of 1998

DATE: 29-03-2007

Between :

K.Lakshmi Veera Raju and 2 others.

… Petitioners

And

The District Collector,
West Godavari District, Eluru and 4 others.

… Respondents

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ORDER:

This writ petition is filed seeking a declaration that the action of the first respondent in not including the Jangareddygudem Mandal of West Godavari District as drought affected area is arbitrary and illegal.

In response to the Rule Nisi ordered, a counter affidavit, dated 17-10-2000, has been filed on behalf of the respondents stating as under:

> "It is submitted that Government after careful examination have declared Jangareddigudem Mandal as drought affected Mandal for the Fasli 1407 (1997-1998) in addition to 9 Mandals already declared, in relaxation of the existing guidelines, vide G.O.Ms.No.555 Rev. (Ref.II) Department dated 30-07-1998 so that the farmers can avail themselves credit facilities from the Banks.
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> It is submitted that accordingly a Gazette Notification was issued declaring Jangareddigudem Mandal containing 22 villages as drought affected Mandal for availing credit facilities from the Banks for Fasli 1407(1997-1998) and the notification was published in West Godavari District Extra-ordinary Gazette No.107 dated 10-08-1998. Annavari Certificates were also issued for the Crops damaged more than 50% as proposed by the Mandal Revenue Officer, Jangareddigudem.
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> It is submitted that during the Special D.C.C. meeting held on 26-08-1998 it was resolved to extend the relief to farmers of Jangareddigudem Mandal, as it was declared as drought affected Mandal as per the norms

of R.B.I."

In view of what has been stated in the counter affidavit, no further enquiry is necessary in the writ petition.

Accordingly, the writ petition is disposed of. No costs.

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G. ROHINI, J

Dt.29-03-2007
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